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PATENT APPLICATION

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In re application of

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For: ULTRAVIOLET LASER SYSTEM FOR
FORMING IN MULTI-LAYERED TARGETS

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTIONTO THE ASSISTANT
COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

In response to the June 17, 1996 Office action finally rejecting the pending claims, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows.

In the drawings:

Replace the originally filed drawings with the attached two sheets of formal drawings, including Figs. 1, 2, 3A, 3B, and 4.

In the claims:

Amend claim 1 as follows.

1. (Twice amended) A method for laser processing a multi-layered target including at least two layers having different chemical compositions, comprising:

generating from a non-excimer laser high power ultraviolet laser output pulses having a predetermined spatial spot size, a wavelength shorter than about 400 nm, a temporal pulse width shorter than about 100 ns, and